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Applicant(s): Weindorf et al.

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SYSTEM

Examiner: Jose R. Diaz

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicant cites the following references (each listed for the Examiner's convenience on the enclosed Form PTO-1449):

No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
5,105,179	04/14/1992	Smith
5,924,784	07/20/1999	Chliwnyj, et al.
6,084,519	07/04/2000	Coulling, et al.
6,130,700	10/10/2000	Murayama, et al.
6,351,079	02/26/2002	Willis
6,411,046	06/25/2002	Muthu
6,448,951	09/10/2002	Sakaguchi, et al.
6,473,469	10/29/2002	Leitch

A copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) is also enclosed. Applicant respectfully solicits the Examiner's consideration of the listed references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

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Applicant hereby certifies that no item of information contained in this Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

Applicant has calculated a processing fee in the amount of \$180.00 to be due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) in connection with the filing of this Statement. Applicant has enclosed a check covering this fee, or authorized charging the fee to a deposit account, as indicated in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

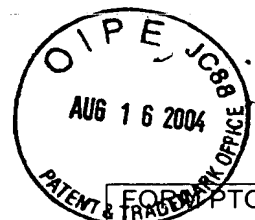
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Enclosures: Form PTO-1449 (one sheet)
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REFERENCE DESIGNATION		U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS				
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Attached is/are:

- ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; One Sheet of Form PTO-1449 and 8 cited references
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Fee calculation:

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☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
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